

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

Ultimately, telecommunication ownership must move in the opposite direction - back into the hands of the people. For now, however, we must be content to preserve the few safeguards to total monopolistic oligarchy that currently exist.